



## *A Proclamation by the Governor*

**WHEREAS**, one in every 2,500 pregnancies are diagnosed with a congenital diaphragmatic hernia (CDH); and

**WHEREAS**, since 2000, it is estimated that over 500,000 babies have been born with CDH; however, only 50 percent of those babies survived; and

**WHEREAS**, CDH is as common as spina bifida and cystic fibrosis; however, very few people know about it or are aware of it; and

**WHEREAS**, 1,600 babies are born with CDH every year in the United States with an average of 14 born in Nevada each year; and

**WHEREAS**, there are many people living in Nevada who have been diagnosed with and have survived their CDH; although many families in Nevada have endured the horrible pain and grief associated with the loss of loved ones with CDH; and

**WHEREAS**, those with CDH often endure multiple surgeries and possible medical complication beyond their diagnosis that include heart defects, pulmonary complications, gastric and intestinal problems, developmental delays, and may require respiratory and medicinal support for years; and

**WHEREAS**, raising awareness of this congenital defect will help bring about acceptance and support for those suffering with it and will help advocate for urgently needed medical research and advances;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, BRIAN SANDOVAL, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, do hereby proclaim April 19, 2013 as**

### **A Day of Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Awareness in Nevada**



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2013

By the \_\_\_\_\_ Governor

*Brian Sandoval*  
*Cass Miller*  
Secretary of State

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy